

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

**Call to Order:** Chair Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, on March 25, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Chair (R)  
Rep. Pat Connell, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Virginia Court, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Alan Doane (R)  
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)  
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)  
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Rep. Mike Miller (R)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)  
Rep. Kerry White (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch  
Rebecca Shaw, Committee Secretary

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**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 15, 03/20/2013, SJ 17, 03/20/2013

Executive Action: SB 265, SB 335, SB 233, SB366

00:47:48 Chair Bennett  
00:49:32 Recessed  
00:53:50 Reconvened with members present except Rep. Pomnichowski, who was excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 265**

00:53:52 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 265 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:54:13 Rep. Pomnichowski entered.

00:55:49 **Motion:** Rep. Williams moved that **SB 265 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(nah64a01)**

**Discussion:**

00:55:56 Rep. Connell

01:01:17 **Vote:** Motion failed 6-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting aye. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy.

**Discussion:**

01:02:18 Rep. Williams

01:03:18 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy. Rep. White will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 335**

01:04:11 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 335 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:04:17 **Motion:** Rep. Pomnichowski moved that **SB 335 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(nah64a02)**

**Discussion:**

01:07:38 Rep. Miller  
01:07:47 Rep. Pomnichowski  
01:09:35 Rep. Miller  
01:10:20 Rep. Pomnichowski  
01:12:35 Rep. Williams  
01:12:52 Chair Bennett

01:13:01 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **Section 1 of Amendment SB033502.ajk BE SEGREGATED.** Motion carried 15-1 by voice vote with Rep. Hoven voting no. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy.

01:14:29 **Vote:** Motion that **SB 335 BE AMENDED** carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy.

**Discussion:**

- 01:15:36 Rep. Connell  
 01:15:57 Joe Kolman, Environmental Research Analyst, Legislative Services Division  
 01:16:18 Rep. Hoven  
 01:16:55 Rep. White
- 01:17:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Pomnichowski moved that **SB 335 BE AMENDED**. Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Hoven, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Warburton voting aye. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy.
- 01:21:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy. Rep. Connell will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 233**

- 01:21:34 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 233 BE CONCURRED IN**.
- 01:22:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Miller moved that **SB 233 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 366**

- 01:23:09 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 366 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

- 01:23:21 Rep. Williams  
 01:25:20 Rep. Warburton  
 01:25:21 Rep. Court  
 01:26:08 Rep. Connell  
 01:28:26 Chair Bennett  
 01:29:53 Joe Kolman, LSD  
 01:29:59 Rep. White
- 01:30:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Hoven, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Shaw voted by proxy. Rep. Warburton will carry the bill.

**HEARING ON SJ 17****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

- 02:21:27 Sen. Verdell Jackson (R), SD 5, opened the hearing on SJ 17, Resolution to encourage voluntary streamside best management practices.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:25:57 Jeff Tiberi, Executive Director, Montana Association of Conservation Districts (MACD)  
02:26:24 Julie Altemus, Executive Vice President, Montana Wood Products Association (MWPA)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:27:29 Rep. Hoven  
02:28:18 Jeff Tiberi, MACD  
02:28:53 Sen. Jackson  
02:28:58 Rep. Pomnichowski  
02:30:13 Sen. Jackson  
02:31:18 Julie, Altemus, MWPA  
02:31:45 Rep. Pomnichowski  
02:32:05 Rep. Court  
02:33:08 Jeff Tiberi, MACD  
02:33:16 Rep. Court  
02:33:24 Jeff Tiberi, MACD  
02:34:19 Rep. Williams  
02:35:44 Jeff Tiberi, MACD  
02:35:45 Rep. Doane  
02:35:51 Sen. Jackson  
02:37:07 Rep. Doane  
02:37:15 Sen. Jackson

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:40:02 Sen. Jackson

**HEARING ON SJ 15**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:42:43 Sen. Jennifer Fielder (R), SD 7, opened the hearing on SJ 15, Interim study on public land management.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:45:57 Julia Altemus, MWPA  
02:47:12 Greg Chilcott, President, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

**EXHIBIT(nah64a03)**

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:48:58 Rep. Williams

02:49:35 Sen. Fielder

02:50:20 Rep. Doane

02:50:34 Sen. Fielder

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:51:03 Sen. Fielder

02:51:10 Chair Bennett

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:51:48

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Rebecca Shaw, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([nah64aad.pdf](#))**